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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES  
DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)  
CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371**

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U.S. APPLICATION (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5)  
Not Yet Assigned **10/587186**

INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO

PCT/JP2005/006869

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TITLE OF INVENTION

LEAD STORAGE BATTERY

APPLICANTS FOR DO/EO/US

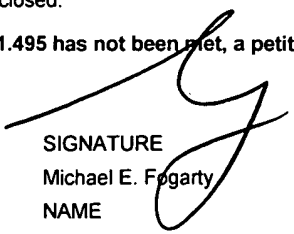
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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☒ This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.
4. ☒ The US has been elected (Article 31).
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
  - a. ☐ is attached herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☒ has been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US)
6. ☒ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
7. ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
  - a. ☐ are attached hereto (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ have been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendment has NOT expired.
  - d. ☒ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ An English translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9. ☒ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
10. ☐ An English translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

Items 11. to 16. below concern other document(s) or information included:

11. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12. ☐ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. ☒ A preliminary amendment.
14. ☐ An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.
15. ☐ A substitute specification.
16. ☐ A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.
17. ☐ A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821-1.825.
18. ☐ A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
19. ☐ A second copy of the English translation of the International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
20. ☒ Other items or information.
  - 1) PCT Request
  - 2) Front Page of International Application
  - 3) PCT/IB/301, PCT/IB/304, PCT/IB/308
  - 4) International Search Report

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| U.S. APPLIC. NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.50)<br>Not Yet Assigned <b>10/587186</b>   |              | INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.<br>PCT/JP2005/006869                            |            | ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER<br>043888-0490 |              |
|   |              |   |            | CALCULATIONS                            | PTO USE ONLY |
| 21. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The following fees are submitted:   |              |   |            |   |              |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Basic National Stage Fee \$300  |              |   |            | \$300.00                                |              |
| 22. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examination Fee<br>If the written opinion prepared by ISA/US or the International preliminary examination report prepared by IPEA/US indicates all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) \$0<br>All other situations \$200   |              |   |            | \$200.00                                |              |
| 23. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Search Fee (37CFR 1.492(b))<br>If the written opinion of the ISA/US or the International preliminary examination report prepared by IPEA/US indicates all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) \$0<br>Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority \$100<br>International Search Report prepared by an ISA other than the US and provided to the Office or previously communicated to the US by the IB \$400<br>All other situations \$500   |              |   |            | \$400.00                                |              |
| TOTAL OF 21, 22 and 23 =  |              |   |            | \$900.00                                |              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium).<br>The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.   |              |   |            | \$                                      |              |
| Total Sheets  | Extra Sheets | Number of each additional 50 or fraction Thereof (round up to a whole number) | RATE       |   |              |
| 67-100  | 0/50=        | 0   | X\$250     | \$0.00                                  |              |
| Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).  |              |   |            | \$                                      |              |
| CLAIMS  | NUMBER FILED | NUMBER EXTRA  | RATE       |   |              |
| Total Claims  | 8-20 =       | 0   | x \$50.00  | \$0.00                                  |              |
| Independent Claims  | 1-3 =        | 0   | x \$200.00 | \$0.00                                  |              |
| Multiple dependent claim(s) (if applicable)   |              |   | + \$360.00 | \$0.00                                  |              |
| TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =   |              |   |            | \$900.00                                |              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Fees above are reduced by 1/2.  |              |   |            | \$                                      |              |
| SUBTOTAL =  |              |   |            | \$900.00                                |              |
| Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than the 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).   |              |   |            | +                                       | \$           |
| TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =  |              |   |            | 900.00                                  |              |
| Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property  |              |   |            | +                                       | \$           |
| TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =   |              |   |            | \$900.00                                |              |
|   |              |   |            | Amount to be refunded                   | \$0.00       |
|   |              |   |            | Amount to be charged                    | \$900.00     |
| <p>a. <input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the above fees is enclosed.</p> <p>b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. <u>500417</u> in the amount of <u>\$900.00</u> to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p>c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <u>500417</u>. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p><b>NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.</b></p> <p>SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:<br/> Customer Number 20277<br/> Telephone: 202.756.8000<br/> Facsimile: 202.756.8087</p> <div style="text-align: right; margin-top: 20px;"> <p>SIGNATURE<br/> <br/> Michael E. Fogarty<br/> NAME<br/> 36,139<br/> REGISTRATION NUMBER</p> <p>July 25, 2006<br/> DATE</p> </div> |              |   |            |   |              |